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Liquor Legislature Is More And More Drastic

SENATE WOULD CUT THE ALLOWANCE BY HALF

GOVERNOR URGES PASSAGE OF CERTAIN MEASURES.

Wants Torrens Land System, Rural Credits, Workmen's Compensation and Other Laws Passed.
(By Jno. K. Aull.)

Special to The Herald and News:

Columbia, Feb. 10.—The senate on Wednesday passed the Carlisle amendment to the Statewide prohibition law, reducing the amount of whiskey which may be ordered by a South Carolinian during any one month from one gallon to two quarts. The senate voted down an amendment to reduce the amount to one quart a month.

When the bill re-enacting the gallon a month law came up Senator Carlisle offered an amendment cutting down the amount from one gallon to one quart a month. This was rejected by a majority of two votes, 21 to 23. Those who voted for the quart were: Beamguard, Black, Brice, Carlisle, Christensen, DuRant, E. C. Epps, R. D. Epps, Evans, Ginn, Gross, Harvey, Alan Johnstone, Laney, Lide, McCown, Nicholson, Richardson, Sherard, Verner, Walker—21. Those who voted for the gallon a month were: Banks, Beattie, Buck, Earle, Goodwin, Hughes, D. B. Johnson, Ketchin, Lee, Manning, Mullins, Nickels, O'Dell, Padgett, Patterson, Sharpe, Sinkler, Spigner, Stacy, Sturkey, Wightman, J. F. Williams, D. Reece Williams—23.

"How much liquor is necessary for an ordinary person a day?" was a question discussed in the senate during the debate on this bill. Senator Patterson suggested four tablespoons a day but Senator Carlisle disclaimed the ability to qualify as an expert on this point and so this mooted and vexed problem remained unsolved. Senator Carlisle then proposed an amendment cutting the allowance to two quarts a month.

Senator Hughes proposed an amendment allowing a person to order a half gallon of whiskey of five dozen bottles of beer a month.

Senator Black thought the allowance ought to be cut to half a gallon per month.

Senator Ketchin and Senator Banks thought the gallon a month law should stand and the Fairfield senator thought it would be breaking faith to change the law as many people had voted for prohibition because of this law who would not otherwise have done so.

Senator Sinkler put in an amendment allowing a person to order half a gallon of whiskey a month or five dozen bottles of beer.

Senator Brice wanted the amount reduced to a quart and thought this would break up blind tigers. He said that not ten men voted for prohibition because they wanted the gallon a month law to stand.

Beer Outlawed, Too.

Senator Alan Johnstone said the Sinkler amendment was dangerous and he called on the prohibitionists to defeat it. He favored the Carlisle amendment cutting down the amount of liquor which can be ordered for personal use to half a gallon a month.

The Newberry senator opposed all efforts to amend the act so as to allow a certain amount of beer to be ordered.

Senator Wightman said it seemed to him that this whiskey business was used as a decoy to keep other important measures from coming before the general assembly. "I thought we were through with this liquor business," said the Saluda senator, who called on those that wanted real prohibition to come out and make a law prohibiting the ordering of any whiskey. He challenged them to make it "air tight."

In the course of his debate Senator Wightman said he had "never taken a drink of liquor, smoked a cigarette, or taken a chew of tobacco, but I realize that this does not give me a ticket to Heaven." The Saluda senator said

the legislature had gone wild on the liquor business, but he thought the cold drink proposition much more alarming.

Senator Sinkler offered another amendment as a substitute for his other amendment allowing a citizen to order 30 pints of beer or half a gallon of liquor a month. The Charleston senator said his amendment was in the line of temperance.

Senator Lee's motion to indefinitely postpone the bill was lost, 8 to 12.

Senator Carlisle's amendment cutting down the amount from one gallon to two quarts a month was adopted 26 to 18. Those who voted for reducing the amount to half a gallon a month were Beamguard, Black, Brice, Carlisle, Christensen, DuRant, Earle, E. C. Epps, R. D. Epps, Evans, Ginn, Gross, Harvey, Alan Johnstone, Laney, Lide, McCown, Nicholson, O'Dell, Padgett, Richardson, Sherard, Sinkler, Spigner, Verner, Walker—26. Those who voted for the amount to remain at a gallon a month were: Banks, Beattie, Buck, Goodwin, D. B. Johnson, Hughes, Ketchin, Lee, Manning, Mullins, Nickels, Patterson, J. F. Williams, Sharpe, Stacy, Sturkey, Wightman, D. Reece Williams—18.

Verner Usury Bill Passed.

The illicit liquor seller and the banker who evades the law by chadging usury were yoked together by Senator Verner, who wants all such violators sent to the chain-gang, asserting they would make "a beautiful pair." The Oconee senator said the governor was enforcing the laws against liquor selling, but wanted to know what he was doing on enforcing other laws. He charged that bankers who violate the law by charging usurious rates of interest were at the top socially. The Oconee senator was debating his bill to prohibit the charging of a greater rate of interest than allowed by law.

Senator Wightman didn't see how any man could vote against this bill.

The bill as finally amended prohibits the charging for loans of a greater rate of interest than allowed by law except that a minimum fee of 50 cents can be charged as discounts on loans of \$50 or less. Where the banks or others charge a greater rate of interest than allowed by law they will forfeit as a penalty twice the amount of the interest charged. The bill was passed and sent to the house.

The judiciary committee bill relieving outside companies from liability of usury when a usurious fee for negotiating the loan is charged by their agent in this State, was passed and sent to the house.

Child Labor Legislation.

The house on Tuesday night refused to pass to third reading the McCullough bill raising the age limit of children to 14 years, and on Wednesday morning a compromise measure was agreed upon and introduced, passing the house by a vote of 61 to 29.

This compromise bill provides: Section 1. That section 422, volume 2, criminal code of South Carolina, 1912, be and the same is hereby amended, by striking out said section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"No child under 14 years of age, residing in any school district where the compulsory school law is in force, shall be employed in any factory, mine or textile establishment of this State. After July 1, 1916, no child under the age of 13 years shall be employed in any factory, mine or textile establishment in this State. After July 1, 1917, no child under 14 years of age shall be employed in any factory, mine or textile establishment in this State."

To Elect Game Warden.

The house on Wednesday morning passed to third reading a bill to provide for the election of chief game warden by the legislature. The game warden is now appointed by the governor, upon the recommendation of the Audubon society. A similar bill has passed in the senate. The present game warden is Col. A. A. Richardson, who was appointed by Governor Bleas.

Calendars Crowded.

The house on Wednesday faced a calendar of more than 60 pages, clogged by special orders. All special or-

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ders were discharged and placed regularly on the calendar.

The appropriation bill has received final reading in the house and is in the hands of the finance committee of the senate.

Governor Manning Urges Measures.

Governor Manning has sent in a special message urging the passage of the measure for the Torrens land system, rural credits legislation, the Toole-LeGrone bill providing for the teaching of agriculture in the rural schools, the McCullough child labor bill (referred to above), workmen's compensation law and Nicholson bill providing for the certification of teachers by a State board.

In the senate this morning the Laney bill to dissolve the Southeastern Traffic association passed second reading.

The Liles bill to make it a chain-gang offense to sell liquor passed third reading and was sent back to the house for concurrence in senate amendments. The senate amendment is to make the chain-gang penalty apply only to the sale of liquor and not the handling or transporting.

The biennial session bill failed of passage by only a few votes.

The senate passed the administration measure providing for the teaching of agriculture in the rural schools. The house devoted the time today to the consideration of local measures.

LIQUOR OR LAGER; TAKE YOUR CHOICE

SENATE VOICES FOR ALTERNATIVE AMENDMENT.

Two Quarts of Booze or Five Dozen Bottles of Beer Monthly if House Agrees.

Columbia, Feb. 9.—Every resident of South Carolina may order two quarts of whiskey or five dozen bottles of beer each month for personal use according to the terms of a bill which passed the Senate tonight and was sent to the house. The senate this morning had cut the allowance of whiskey from one gallon to one-half gallon a month, and tonight, despite strenuous objection from the prohibition leaders, adopted an amendment, by Senator Hughes, permitting the alternative of five dozen bottles of beer per month. The first effort of the prohibitionists was made on a motion to table the Hughes amendment which motion was lost by a vote of 19 to 21. The prohibitionists forced another roll call on the adoption of this amendment, which passed by a vote of 23 to 19.

How They Voted.

Those who voted for the Hughes amendment permitting the alternative of five dozen bottles of beer per month were: Beamguard, Beattie, Earle, E. C. Epps, Evans, Goodwin, D. B. Johnson, Laney, Lee, Manning, Mullins, O'Dell, Padgett, Patterson, Sharpe, Sinkler, Stacy, Sturkey, Verner, Wightman, John F. Williams, D. Reece Williams—Total 23.

Those voting against the Hughes amendment, that is, to allow any beer were: Banks, Black, Brice, Carlisle, Christensen, DuRant, Ginn, Gross, Harvey, Alan Johnstone, Ketchin, Lide, McCown, Nicholson, Nickels, Richardson, Sherard, Spigner, Walker. Total 19.

This pair was announced: Hughes, aye; R. D. Epps, nay.

Must Not Be Concealed.

An amendment by Senator DuRant, providing that the beer must be shipped in open crates with the bottles plainly labelled, and that the beer must not contain over 5 per cent of alcohol, was adopted. Another amendment by Senator DuRant, providing that persons convicted under this bill of storing or transporting liquor shall be allowed the option of a fine for the first offense, was adopted.

The bill was given third reading by a vote of 23 to 12, and ordered sent to the house. Those who voted against this bill on its final passage were: Banks, D. B. Johnson, Ketchin, Lee, Manning, Mullins, Patterson, Sinkler, Sharpe, Stacy, Sturkey, Wightman. Total, 12.

Beer Amendment.

When the senate took the dinner recess they were considering an amendment offered by the Senator from Union, Mr. Hughes, allowing a person to order five dozen bottles of beer each month in lieu of all liquor. Senator Sinkler of Charleston, has an amendment permitting a person to order thirty pints of beer per month or one-half gallon of whiskey.

Prohibitionists lead by Senator Alan Johnstone are making a strenuous fight against the amendments permitting a certain amount of beer to be ordered. Several amendments are pending to the bill which reenacts the provisions of the old gallon-a-month law, but strengthens it in several particulars, especially by requiring all records of shipments of express companies and common carriers to be open to inspection of the sheriffs and peace officers and to require such records either to be filed in the office of the probate judge or the clerk of court each month, some counties naming one office and some another. The bill has been changed so as to allow druggists to order alcohol for medicinal purposes.

Bobb Strauss.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Martin L. Strauss and Miss Annie Bobb, both of Union Academy community, surprised their friends by getting married, the Rev. I. D. Boland tying the knot that made the twain one. The happy couple have the sincere good wishes of their many friends as they journey together along the pathway of life.

THE NEWS OF PROSPERITY.

Valentine Party and Musical—Miss Barnett to Address Parent Teachers' Association

Special to The Herald and News:

Prosperity, Feb. 10.—There will be a Valentine party in the Town hall on Friday night, February 11, under the auspices of the William Lester chapter U. D. C. There will be a musical program after which candy will be sold, fortunes told, and other entertainment afforded. A feature of the evening will be music by a string band. The musical program which will be given promptly at 7:30 is as follows:

Music, "Dixie"—by band.
Chorus, (a) "Bonnie Blue Flag;" (b) "Carolina."

Reading—Miss Annie Ward.
Vocal duet, "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

Quartet, "Just Before the Battle, Mother."

Reading—Miss Ruth Hunter.
Quartet, "Tenting Tonight on the Old Camp Ground."

Admission will be five and ten cents.

Come and bring your friends.
Misses Effie Hawkins and Marie Schumpert were shoppers in Newberry Monday.

Mr. H. J. Rawl has gone to St. George to visit his brother, and is also taking in the Laymen's convention in Columbia.

Wesdames J. F. Browne and G. Y. Hunter spent Wednesday in Columbia.

Miss Mary Lizzie Wise is spending a few days in Columbia, the guest of Miss Nell Kohn.

Mr. J. J. Langford of Newberry was a visitor here Wednesday.

Mr. A. H. Hawkins was a business visitor to Columbia on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Bedenbaugh is spending the week end with her mother Mrs. J. M. Werts.

Mr. L. A. Black has been to Columbia to see his father, Mr. N. L. Black, who has undergone an operation at the Columbia hospital.

We are glad to report that Miss Rosa Mae Mitchell is doing nicely at the Columbia hospital.

Mrs. Carrie McWaters, the popular and accommodating saleslady, formerly of Moseley Brothers, has accepted a position with Black's Dry Goods company, where she will be pleased to have her many customers call on her.

Miss Annie Moseley of Batesburg, will spend the week end at home.

The many friends of Mrs. Addie Hodges will be pleased to know that she is again enjoying good health.

Quite a number of the Prosperity younger set will take in "The Birth of a Nation" in Columbia next week.

Mrs. Pat Mitchell has been called to her home near Newberry on account of the death of her little cousin.

Mrs. J. A. Hunt, of Millen, Ga., is expected this week for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Schumpert.

Mrs. J. B. T. Scott is visiting relatives in Pomaria.

Mrs. T. P. Johnson has returned to Newberry after a visit to Mrs. O. B. Simpson.

Miss Mattie Lou Barnett, principal of St. Luke's school, will address the Parent Teachers' association of the primary department Monday afternoon, February 14, at 2 o'clock. The public is invited to meet with the association at this time. Miss Barnett will talk on the "Cooperation of the Home with the School."

If there is any question that anyone would like to have discussed at this meeting or at any future meetings, please write it on a slip of paper and hand in when you come to the meeting.

At the conclusion of Miss Barnett's talk the meeting will be turned into "round table" talks on the problems that confront both parents and teachers. Please come prepared with questions you would like to have discussed.

Don't forget this is an open meeting for everybody, regardless of membership.

Immediately after this meeting closes there will be a business meeting of the School Improvement association at 3 o'clock.

COTTON MARKET

Newberry.	
Cotton	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu.	67c
Prosperity.	
Cotton	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu.	65c
Pomaria.	
Cotton	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu.	65c
Little Mountain.	
Cotton	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu.	65c
Whitmore.	
Cotton	11½c
Cotton seed, per bu.	65c

COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

There will be the regular meeting of the Newberry County Medical society in Dr. Pelham's office Friday afternoon, February 11, at 3 o'clock.

Paper, "Typhoid Fever as Modified by Antitoxin Injection"—Dr. Van Smith.

Paper, "Diphtheria Antitoxin—the Dosage, with report of a patient receiving 144,000 units with final recovery."—Dr. Jno. B. Setzler.

The many friends of Dr. O. B. Mayer will be pleased to learn that he is improving. He has been seriously ill for several days.

Judge L. M. Player was called by telegram to Princeton, Fla., Thursday on account of the serious illness of his wife. He left on the Coast Line at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

SOCIETY.

The Bachelor Maids had a most enjoyable meeting Tuesday afternoon with Miss Bernice Martin at her home in Main street. After a profitable business session a social hour followed, during which most delightful refreshments were served.

Mrs. W. H. Hunt was the hostess for the fortnightly club Tuesday morning. The discussion of good housekeeping and current events made the hours pass swiftly and at 1 o'clock a course luncheon was served the guests.

The meeting of the Woman's club was this week held with Mrs. I. H. Hunt. The course as outlined in the Bay View Magazine was rendered by Mrs. J. W. Kibler, Mrs. R. H. Wright and Mrs. L. W. Floyd.

The Calvin Crozier chapter U. D. C., held its regular monthly meeting at the Newberry hotel with Mrs. W. O. Miller. An attractive program was carried out. Articles on Confederate history were read by Mrs. Paul Anderson and Miss Fittie Coke Smith. After the business session a salad course was served.

The sewing circle, composed of Misses Gladys Chappell, Katherine Wright, Ruby Goggans, Rosalyn Hipp and Mrs. P. E. Way, at a delightful meeting named their club "Les Cosendores."

Miss eneva Summed charmingly entertained a number of the younger set at rook last Friday evening. Tables were set for about thirty guests and a series of entertaining games were enjoyed by all those present. A tempting salad course was served to the following guests: Misses Jessie Epting, Cora Ewart, Lucile Baxter, Susie Davenport, Louise Perry, May Tarrant, Mildred Tarrant, Rachael Hendrix, Aletha Summer, Novice Lominack, Vennie Eleazer, Frances Halfarce, Mildred Purcell, Adelaide Swain, Hattie Mary Buford, Mary Frances Cannon, and Messrs Lenword Zollar, Henry Karhs, Hugh Epting, Jno. M. Kinard Jr., John Fellers, Ernest Funderbirk, Lance Swindler, Lorry Wimberly, George Derrick, L. H. Grey, Wyche Dickert, Richard Boing, Wilson Ficken, Gurnie and Adrian Summer.